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Connectable to the pump.*

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### AMENDMENTS TO THE FIGURES

Attached please find proposed revised drawings with Figs. 4 and 9 amended to illustrate more clearly the drainage reservoir including tubing extending therefrom.

### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the present application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remains under examination in the application are presented below. The claims are presented in ascending order and each includes one status identifier. Those claims not cancelled or withdrawn but amended by the current amendment utilize the following notations for amendment: 1. deleted matter is shown by strikethrough for six or more characters and double brackets for five or less characters; and 2. added matter is shown by underlining.

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) A strap assembly for post surgery patients ~~for supporting one or more mountable devices~~ comprising:

a waist strap including first and second ends;

fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end;

a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, wherein the shoulder strap device comprises a halter strap; [[and]]

one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device[[.]]; and

at least one post-surgical drainage reservoir suspended from at least one of the waist strap, shoulder strap, or a front straps, the drainage reservoir having a drainage tube for placement at the surgical site.

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3. (Original) The strap assembly of claim 2 wherein the shoulder strap device further includes an additional strap that extends from the middle of the halter strap to the middle of the waist strap.

4. (Withdrawn) The strap assembly of claim 1 wherein the shoulder strap device comprises suspender straps.

5. (Currently Amended) A strap assembly for post surgery patients ~~for supporting one or more mountable devices~~ comprising:

a waist strap including first and second ends;

fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end;

a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, wherein the shoulder strap device includes loop ends for threaded attachment with the waist strap; [[and]]

one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device[[.]]; and

one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs operably attached to at least one of the waist strap, shoulder strap, or one or more front straps.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) A strap assembly for post surgery patients ~~supporting one or more mountable devices~~ comprising:

a waist strap including first and second ends;

fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end;

a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions; [[and]]

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one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device, wherein the one or more front straps include a loop material and hook material for releasably securing the front strap to the shoulder strap device[.]; and

one or more post-surgical drainage reservoirs with a drainage tube, each reservoir operably attached to at least one of the waist strap, shoulder strap, or one or more front straps.

8. (Currently Amended) A strap assembly for post surgery patients for supporting one or more mountable devices comprising:

a waist strap including first and second ends;

fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end;

a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions; [[and]]

one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device[.]; and

one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs operably attached to at least one of the waist strap, shoulder strap, or one or more front straps.

~~wherein the mountable devices are selected from the group consisting of medical devices, tools and sporting goods equipment.~~

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs ~~devices~~ on an individual comprising:

positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably

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connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, wherein the shoulder strap device comprises a halter strap, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device;

mounting the one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs having a drainage tube devices to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of supporting one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs devices on an individual of claim 12 wherein the shoulder strap device further includes an additional strap that extends from the middle of the halter strap to the middle of the waist strap.

14. (Withdrawn) The method of supporting one or more mountable devices on an individual of claim 11 wherein the shoulder strap device comprises suspender straps.

15. (Currently Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs, each having a drainage tube, devices on an individual comprising:

positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, wherein the shoulder strap device includes loop ends for threaded attachment with the waist strap, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device;

mounting the one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs with drainage tubes devices to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps.

16. (Canceled)

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17. (Currently Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs with drainage tubes ~~devices~~ on an individual comprising:

positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device, wherein the one or more front straps include a loop material and hook material for releasably securing the front strap to the shoulder strap device;

mounting the one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoir with tubings ~~devices~~ to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps.

18. (Currently Amended) A method of supporting one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs ~~devices~~ on an individual comprising:

positioning on the upper torso of an individual a strap assembly comprising a waist strap including first and second ends, fasteners attached to the first and second ends for releasably connecting said first end to said second end, a shoulder strap device including one or more straps adjoined to said waist strap in at least two positions, and one or more front straps releasably adjoined to the shoulder strap device;

mounting the one or more mountable post-surgical drainage reservoirs ~~devices~~ to said one or more front straps, waist strap or both; and

securing the waist strap and front straps, wherein the mountable devices are selected from the group consisting of medical devices, tools and sporting goods equipment.

19. (Canceled)

20. (New) The strap assembly of claim 1 wherein the waist straps, the shoulder strap device, and the front straps are comprised of woven fabric.

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21. (New) The strap assembly of claim 20, wherein the woven fabric is comprised of cotton.